

**REMARKS**

Claims 29 – 61 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 –28 were cancelled without prejudice. Claims 30 – 33 have been amended to correct typographical error. New claims 34 – 61 have been added.

An Official Action was issued asserting that there are two district inventions: Group I directed to an illuminated sign and Group II directed to a carrier for a light engine. Claims 1–28 are directed to Group I, the illuminated sign and claims 29 – 33 are directed to Group II, the light engine carrier. Applicant elects, without traverse, Group II, the light engine carrier.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicant hereby requests examination on the merits.

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF THE TERM**

Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the normal term which expired on January 8, 2005, for two months, to March 8, 2005.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$450.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account Number 04-2219, referencing our Docket Number 13574, Case Number.

Respectfully submitted,

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